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REMARKS

I. INTRODUCTION

Claims 1-17 are presently pending and stand rejected in this application. Claims 1-4 and 6-16 have been amended. Accordingly, in light of the amendments made and the arguments that appear below, reexamination and reconsideration is hereby respectfully requested.

II. WRITTEN SUMMARY OF INTERVIEW WITH EXAMINER

On Tuesday, December 9, 2003, Applicants' Attorneys conducted an Interview with Examiner Mohandesi. Applicants appreciate the courtesy of the interview.

The Hayashi et al. reference and the reference entitled "Electric Motor Repair" by Rosenberg were discussed. The Examiner agreed that the proposed amendment adding "system" clarified the claims and this amendment overcame the rejection based on art. However, the Examiner also indicated that in view of the application being on final rejection that a new search and consideration would be required.

Applicants are submitting this summary in compliance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.133(b) and within one month of the date of the interview.

III. AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS AND REQUEST FOR ENTRY

As set forth above in Section II, claim 1 is being amended in accordance with the proposed amendment agreed to between Applicants' Attorneys and the Examiner. Similarly, in the interest of uniformity, independent claims 6 and 11 and dependent claims 2-4, 7-10 and 12-16 are likewise being amended to be consistent with the amended claim language of claim 1.

Applicants respectfully request that the claim amendments be entered and examined inasmuch as the amendments are more in the nature of a clarifying amendment, notwithstanding that the posture of the matter is on Final.

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IV. REJECTION OF CLAIMS 1-17 UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 103(a)

Claims 1-17 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Hayashi et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,274,322) in view of Robert Rosenberg's "Electric Motor Repair" (third edition) Copyright 1988, Saunders College Publishing. The Office asserts that it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made

to combine Hauashi '322 vehicle generator with a stator having a first winding wound in full pitch pattern with at least one complete loops surrounding a first predetermined number of teeth of said stator and second winding wound in a short pitch pattern with at least one complete loop surrounding an adjacent second predetermined number of said teeth as was taught by Robert Rosenberg to advance an operating function while creating less torque ripple.

Applicants respectfully submit that in light of the amendments made to claims 1-4 and 6-16, Applicants' invention now defines over the cited references set forth above. The rejection of independent claims 1, 6 and 11 has been traversed, and therefore, Applicants respectfully request that the rejection be reconsidered and withdrawn.

Additionally, because claims 2-5, 7-10 and 12, and 14-17 are dependent upon independent claims 1, 6, and 11 (believed to be allowable), respectively, Applicants respectfully submit that for at least the same reasons set forth above with regard to the independent claims, these dependent claims are also allowable. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the rejection of these dependent claims be reconsidered and withdrawn.

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V. CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, all presently pending claims are now believed to be in a condition for allowance. Accordingly, reexamination and reconsideration is hereby respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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